

UTAH MANUEL PROUD.

She Will Make a Fine Showing at the World's Fair.

THE COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Much Information Concerning the Building and Grounds.

The Commissioners are Well Satisfied With the Building—A Kitchen and Dining Room Proposed—Importance of the Exhibition.

The members of the Utah World's fair commission met last evening for the session of general business. The most important matter that came up was the report of Commissioners Chambers and Empey on the Utah building and grounds at Chicago, which contains much interesting information not heretofore given to the public. Following is the report.

THE UTAH BUILDING VISITED.

In pursuance of an order of the commission, we visited Chicago arriving there on the 12th of December and remaining until the 17th. We visited the Utah building and grounds at Jackson park and found everything in good shape. The building practically completed and the contractor on hand with a large force of men preparing to clear up the grounds and remove all the material. The inside of the building was undergoing the finishing touches of the painter, carpenter and plumber while the outside was ready for the plaster that the weather was so cold that it was scarcely possible to work with any degree of satisfaction.

We were well satisfied with the Utah building, and while it has not been formally passed upon and accepted, we anticipate no difficulty in the final settlement, as the contractor has so far shown a willingness to perform his part of the contract in accordance with the terms of the contract. A few minor details will have to be adjusted before the final payment is made. As is usual, the contractor has a claim for extra, and as far as we are able to judge he will be entitled to an allowance for extra work, while on the other hand the commission will be entitled to some reduction in the cost of the building. The matter of extra work and reduction allowed according to the architect to be settled by the architect to the architect to settle we did not enter upon a formal consideration of the matter.

The electric wiring is to be done, but as all the wiring has to be done on the outside of the building, it cannot be put in until the building is completed.

GRADING OF THE GROUNDS.

While in Chicago we received and considered bids for the grading and sodding of the grounds and awarded the contract to Mr. J. C. Ures, for \$450, he being the lowest bidder.

We also considered the matter of the Lake pavilion and Eagle park. The structures we have decided it will be best to erect in the spring.

KITCHEN AND DINING ROOM.

We carefully considered the question as to the advisability of erecting a small kitchen and dining room at the rear of our building, but could not obtain the necessary estimates for the erection of the building, hence we determined to delay the consideration of the matter until we returned. This much to be said for and against the arrangement. We are satisfied it will be an inconvenience in many ways. The purpose is to use the building for providing meals for the officials and employees about the building and not for a general restaurant, in fact, we decided to make it an absolute necessity for the contract, except the parties specifically designated by the executive commissioner to receive meals there, and to hold the secretary personally responsible for the enforcement of the rule. We will require the secretary and all attendants to be in constant attendance at the building, and we think considerable expense will be saved by providing a means of serving meals to a limited number of people. However, this is a matter for after consideration.

After visiting Chicago and consulting with the several chiefs of departments, we fully concur in all other recommendations of the vice-president.

A SATISFACTORY SHOWING.

In comparison with what other states and territories are doing we are well satisfied with the progress we have made. We are inclined to believe that we have saved from \$3,000 to \$4,000 on our building and grounds, or in other words, it has cost other states at least that much more to accomplish the same results we have attained.

IMPORTANCE OF THE EXHIBIT.

The importance of the great exposition as a means of advancing the interests of Utah can scarcely be comprehended. A creditable showing by the territory will be worth many times what it will cost to make the exhibit, and our only regret now is that the funds at our disposal will not permit us to make a more complete showing. Yet we feel that no state will accomplish more for the amount of money expended than will Utah; however, every dollar expended will bring rich returns, and the amount of good we may do is only limited by the amount we have to expend.

We are now understanding the situation, we will bring back to the territory in actual value of property and exhibits more than it will cost the territory to prepare and make the exhibit, and, in other words, our exhibiting cost will be a total loss, as it will be of little or no value after the close of the exposition. R. C. CHAMBERS, N. A. Empey, President.

A GENERAL COURT MARTIAL.

Will Convene at Fort Douglas Next Thursday—Personnel of the Court.

On the 5th of next month, next Thursday, a general court martial will convene at Fort Douglas for the trial of such cases as may be brought before it from this and other posts. The Lieutenant Vance case is the only one from this post, so far as known. The lieutenant has been notified to secure counsel and it is stated that he has retained C. S. Varian, who questioned Mr. Varian neither denied nor affirmed the correctness of the report, replying that he had nothing to say on the subject. The instruction manual will probably be held with closed doors.

The court martial will be made up of the following officers: Colonel Merriam, Major Howard, Major Rogers, Captain Robinson, Captain Boyle, Captain Land, Ninth cavalry, Fort Russell; Captain Waring, Second infantry, Fort Omaha; Captain Jackson, Seventh infantry, Fort Logan; Captain Van Orsdel, Seventh infantry, Fort Logan; Lieutenant Howe, Seventh infantry, Fort Russell; Lieutenant Grinnell, Seventh infantry, Fort Russell; Lieutenant Goodin, Seventh infantry, Fort Roberts; Seventh infantry, judge advocate.

LAST NIGHT'S PARTIES.

The Nordan Military Company's Masked Ball—The Waverly Club.

A party of merry makers held forth until late hour last evening at Cliff's hall on Market street. The ball was given by the Nordan Military company

and was a pronounced success in every detail. There were over sixty couples present, and the costumes worn were both varied and picturesque. At 10 o'clock the music for the occasion, and everything combined to make the event one of a most enjoyable character. If there was any phase or type of humanity not represented by an appropriate costume the reporter failed to notice it.

THE WAVERLY CLUB.
The Waverly club gave the first social dance of its second series at Younger's last evening, and the usual pleasant time was had. There were over sixty couples present, who ably represented Salt Lake's 400. This club is becoming noted for the pleasant character of its entertainments, but this is no surprise when it is taken into consideration that full dress suits are prohibited and non-sensual formality is left at the door.

WATHER HOUSE.
Salt Lake City, Utah. American or European plan. Rates, \$2 and \$3 per day.

W. H. HARRIS, Proprietor.
222 N. Main St., Salt Lake City.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

Teen Folks and Visitors Coming and Going.

LORENZO PAW, Nephew, is at the Morgan.

R. STEVENSON, Ogden, is a Cullen guest.

TON COLLINS, Omaha, is a Cullen arrival.

ARTHUR JONES, Cheyenne, is at the Cullen.

M. MONAHAN, Milford, is a guest of the Cullen.

W. E. BURGESS, Chicago, is at the Knutsford.

C. M. WISANT, New York, is a Knutsford guest.

DR. CALDWELL, of Park City, is a Morgan guest.

W. H. THOMAS, Bingham, is a Knutsford guest.

LOUIS GOLDSTEIN, St. Joe, is a Cullen guest.

MISS ANTHONY, Denver, is stopping at the Cullen.

C. H. POOLE, Los Angeles, is stopping at the White.

W. H. WARE, Springfield, is a White House arrival.

G. W. STEPHENS, Findlay, O., is at the Cullen.

W. H. ROWLAND and Robert Deft, Ogden, are at the Cullen.

ED. A. WRIGHT, Boston, Mass., is a Knutsford guest.

GEORGE KROGER, of the Rio Grande Western, is at the White.

J. J. CHAMBERLAIN and family, P. V. Junction, are at the White.

S. S. JONES, the high mercantile mogul of Provo, is at the Templeton.

JOHN L. HOWARD, Long Beach, N. J., is a Knutsford guest.

G. M. BAIRD and J. Q. A. Brett, Chicago, are enjoying the hospitalities of the Knutsford.

WILLIAM H. HUGHES, Omaha, Neb., and John H. HUGHES, Omaha, Neb., are among the Cullen people.

W. P. SKYRIN and Walter James have just returned from the Denver gold fields and are stopping at the White.

GEORGE HOWLER, advance of the Henderson "All Haha" spectacular company, is a guest of the Knutsford.

J. H. MORRIS and wife, Trenton, N. J., are stopping at the Templeton yesterday.

MARTIN EICHEN, representing a large New York jewelry store, is looking up the trade. He is a Knutsford guest.

MISS CHARLES KNOTT and Mrs. Charles Van Hoesbeck of Aspen, Colo., will arrive in Salt Lake next week to visit friends.

JAMES T. FOWLER and wife, R. Roebuck and Peter F. Daley, New York, are among the theatrical people stopping at the Knutsford.

W. G. GARRIS, president of the Farmers' Loan and Trust company of Denver, is in the city in the interest of the Perkins addition project.

The following members of James T. Powers' company are at the Morgan: Miss Rosa Cook, Della Stacey, Mrs. E. Shastone, Leona Forrest, F. M. Henderson, Richard Garant, W. Allen, Charles P. Montgomery and wife, H. B. Frank, Howard, and others.

Have your teeth repaired by J. H. Leyson, Company, 128 Main street.

Look in our windows. Select your Christmas presents now. Lamps, china, silverware. CALLOWAY, HOOK & CO., Open evenings.

POSTAL INFORMATION.

Extracts from the Postal Laws Regarding Mailable Matter.

Foreign Postage Table.—To most of the countries of the civilized world the rates of postage (except Canada and Mexico) are as follows:

LETTERS.

For 5 grams (1/4 ounce) 5 Cents.

For 10 grams (1/2 ounce) 10 Cents.

For 20 grams (1 ounce) 20 Cents.

For 50 grams (1 1/2 ounces) 50 Cents.

For 100 grams (3 1/2 ounces) 1.00.

For 200 grams (7 ounces) 2.00.

For 500 grams (1 1/4 pounds) 5.00.

For 1000 grams (2 1/4 pounds) 10.00.

For 2000 grams (4 1/2 pounds) 20.00.

For 5000 grams (11 pounds) 50.00.

For 10000 grams (22 pounds) 100.00.

For 20000 grams (44 pounds) 200.00.

For 50000 grams (110 pounds) 500.00.

For 100000 grams (220 pounds) 1000.00.

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Housebuilding Is An Art.

That has been practiced among men for a considerable time, and one which we should think might fairly be expected to have reached a reasonable degree of perfection. And so it has. Yet who is there that has not known of houses which have taken fire from "defective flues"? This leads us to emphasize again the importance to you of the good mason who is a so the honest man. We are not altogether disinterested in this. Good chimneys, good flues and stove men, are good friends. We wish you, in your interest as well as our own, to have a Jewel Range and although the Jewel Range is superior to other ranges, it is not superior to physical laws, and needs to be he ped by a good draught, such as is secured only by a properly built chimney. Therefore, we say, make sure of the good mason!

And also, make sure of the Jewel Range. It will last you longer and serve you better than any other range that is made. As years go by it will cost you least for repairs. It ought to be in every house in Salt Lake—in Utah—in this whole country. Wherever there is a house without it, that house would be better with it. Ranges have been greatly improved of late years, and the Jewel Range is the result of the advances that have been made.

E. C. COFFIN HARDWARE COMPANY.

PROGRESS BUILDING.

IS IT A SALARY GRAB?

Five Thousand Dollars for Back Pay to the School Board.

All But Three of the Members Received Pay for Services Rendered When no Salary Was Authorized by Law.

What is characterized in many quarters as a plain, unmitigated salary grab has been developed at the two last sessions of the board of education. Every member of the board, with these exceptions, has presented claims, which have been allowed, for services rendered during the whole time they have been in office. Those three exceptions are Messrs. Young, Baldwin and Deke. Mr. Duke, however, has voted in favor of allowing these claims, and has given the programme his full endorsement.

Not only have the present members drawn back pay in full, but ex-members of the board, whose terms expired a year ago, have presented claims which, in some instances, have been allowed. Altogether the back salaries aggregate about \$5,000.

No one begrudges the members of the board the money compensation now allowed them by the board, but the law under which the board was organized and under which it operated prior to the 10th of last March provided for no compensation whatever, and all the members accepted of and discharged the labor incident thereto with the full knowledge and understanding that there were no salaries attached to the positions.

Following is the enactment of the last legislature, passed on the 10th of last March: section 104, page 126, of the territorial laws:

The board of education may provide for the compensation of its members on only verified salaries, under such regulations as it may adopt, not to exceed \$2 each for each session of the board actually attended, and \$3 per day for each day's services actually and necessarily performed under direction of the board.

It will be seen that there is nothing whatever in this law to authorize the payment of back salaries to members of the board prior to the passage of the act. No law of this character is retroactive that does not contain specific language to that effect. The members of the board simply take \$5,000 of the public funds as compensation for services they have previously rendered to the public, and without the shadow of authority in law.

"There is not the least excuse for any such action," said the attorney yesterday. The law is too plain to admit any such construction. There is no reason why they should take back pay because the legislature decided that they should draw pay in the future.

The back salary members may cite the fact that School Commissioner Boreman ruled that the members of the Ogden board were entitled to back salaries, although they were not authorized by law. Some of the members also solicited and were given an opinion by Judge Harkness, a well known attorney, that the board's attorneys, Judge Harkness was of the opinion that they were entitled to the back salaries, his view being based partly upon the ground that their services were worth as much prior to the passage of the act as they are now.

After everything has been taken into consideration the fact still remains that the members of the school board have drawn \$5,000 for back salaries not authorized by law, and have made it possible for the public to charge them with having stolen the money. They have not contributed their services—and this is what the public is doing.

Had the school board been in existence ten years prior to the passage of the act, instead of two and a half, and had each member drawn the full amount of his back salary, it would have made a good-sized hole in the school fund.

Educational Matters.
The board of education will re-organize next Thursday night, when the new members will take their seats and officers will be elected. It is thought that William Nelson will be elected president, with R. W. Young as vice-president. J. B. Moreton, who has so efficiently filled the position of secretary since the board came into existence, will doubtless be re-elected. For treasurer, Arthur Pratt, B. G. Raymond and Harry T. Duke are all spoken of. The city superintendent of schools is not chosen until next year.

Next Saturday will be pay day for the teachers.

The business of the board of education has increased to such an extent that more room is absolutely necessary, and Superintendent Millsburgh will remove his offices across the hall from the rooms of the board in a few days.

Clearing House Exchanges.

Yesterday's clearing house exchanges were \$317,776.

Hirschman's \$6000 Cash Gift.
Came off yesterday at 2 p. m. in front of the store before a crowd of several thousands. The drawing was remarkable for the fairness which is the characteristic of the house, and everybody was well-satisfied. A description of it may not be out of place. A large glass wheel was used containing \$2,000 tickets duplicated on the numbers issued by Mr. Hirschman. was placed on a wagon. Mr. Fluke announced that the drawing would be left entirely to those present, and any person wishing to assist in the drawing to please step upon the wagon. Six gentlemen volunteered, and then selected Miss Hermann Steiner to draw the tickets out.

The wheel was turned several times after each ticket was drawn.

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Just going to please me learn Mr. Hirschman living at 502 West Third South street, won the second prize, \$100, holding ticket No. 1,901.